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LECTURE BY BISHOP WALSH.

CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE. ments, teaching, sanctifying, and saving mankind. And this Christ like office she will fulfil down unto the consummation of the world, for, gifted with a divine life, she can neither decay nor perish Nations may disappear, dynasties may be overthrown, the proudest thrones may be shattered into fragments, but the Church of the living God shall live for ever in all the freshness and vigour of youth. No weapon that is formed against her shall prosper, and every tongue that resisteth, in judgment she shall condemn. In the midst of a world of change and mutations, amid the dissolving works of man, surrounded by the wrecks of human institutions that have perished, she stands unchanged and unchangeable, like the pyramids of Egypt, amid the shifting sands of the surrounding desert, a reflection and image on earth of that eternal God with whom there is no change nor shadow of alteration. It is as the light of the sun. image on earth of that eternal God with
whom there is no change nor shadow of
alteration. It is as the light of the sun,
which never fails nor changes though all
men were blind it would still pour its
undimnished flood of light on the earth.
So the Church of God, the sun of the
moral world, stands changeless from age
to age, as full, as luminous, as refulgent
as on the day when the Pentecost fires
were showered upon the earth.
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Oh! may we learn to appreciate our privileges in being members of this holy Church of God. May we be living members of her, partaking of her life giving and life-sustaining sacraments, believing the truths she teaches, practising the virtues she inculcates, observing the commandments she enforces; so that, the time of our probation having expired, we may deserve to be transferred from the membership of the Church militant on earth to that of the Church triumphant in heaven, there to Church triumphant in heaven, there to adore, praise, and glorify the triune God

during the everlasting ages. Amen.

His Lordship, in conclusion, stated that as Christ instituted His Church and appointed her to be the only infallible guide in faith and morals, and since He has commanded all to hear that Church and the guarant population of the guarant population. under the gravest penalties, it follows that He must have stamped upon her certain marks and characteristics that would easily and plainly distinguish her from all false churches or man made religions. His Lordship expressed his intention of lecturing on these marks on the remaining Sunday evenings of Lant.

Correspondence of the Record. FROM SARNIA.

On Friday evening, March 11th, Rev. Dr. Burns, L L.D., Principal of the Wes-leyan Ladies' College, Hamilton, deliv-ered in the Town Hall the most eloquent ered in the Town Hall the most eloquent lecture on Home Rule we have ever heard. Dr. Burns is no ordinary speaker. He is an orator without a peer in this fair land of Canada. For three hours he held his hearers spell-bound by outbursts of genuine eloquence. The audience was not very large, but was composed of the most intelligent of all denominations and races. On the platform were Mayor Vail, who occupied the chair; Rev. Father McGee, Corrunns; Rev. Dr. Thompsen, Rev. Black, Rev. Jacobe; J. F. Lester, M. P.; R. S. Gurd, Dr. Clement, Chas. McKenzie, J. D. Beatty, J. S. Lymington, Henry Gorman and Thos. M. Donnelly.

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The speaker was frequently interrupted with applause and his sentiments touched a chord of sympathy in the heart of the audience. At the end he was rapturously appleuded. Mayor Vail then announced that subscription lists were at the door for those desirous of contributing to the cause. Dr. Thompson then moved a vote of thanks to Dr. Burns and spoke highly of his lecture, laying particular stress upon the point that it was a fight between the privileged classes and those whose rights had been ignored. He believed in the brotherhood of men and the fatherhood of God. He hoped the day would soon come when England, Ireland, Scotland and Canada would be bound together by ties of love. He said he heartily endorsed the sentiments of he heartily endorsed the sentiments of

Mr. Lister then seconded the vote of thanks and said he regretted that the audience was not worthy the man, the subject or the lecture. The lecture was a treat. The people of Ireland were struggling against wrong and he wished them God-speed. The motion was unanimously carried by a standing vote.

Quite a sum was taken in by subscriptions as the audience dispersed.

Dr. Burns proved birnself an able speaker, eloquent, witty, sarcastic if necessary, and showed that he had full control of his subject.

The Catholic Church in California is now receiving back from the Mexican Government the \$2,000,000 known as the "Pious Fund," which was confiscated by Santa Anna in 1842. The record of the fund was lost for fifteen years, when Arch-bishop Alemany found at Montercy docu-ments which established the claim of the

dence of the Catholic Record.

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A glorious event which occurred on the 13th of March, 1387, has written a page in the history of the first Negro Mission of Canada, which shall illumine the lives of the Rt. Rev. Bisbop of London, and Very Rev. Dean Wagner, pastor of St. Alphonsus' Church, Windsor, under whose auspices and by whose efforts this mission was founded.

As early as 9 o'clock on Saturday morning Mother Superior, assisted by Stater John and Sister Camille, was busily engaged preparing the catechumen class of colored children for baptism. The latter were neatly dressed. At 10 o'clock, at a signal from their teacher, the children took their ranks, and proceeded from their school room to the chapel of St. Alphonsus' Church, where they occupied a position near the baptismal font. Father Wagner, assisted by Father Scanlan and Father McGrath, performed the caremony, and the regenerating water of baptism was poured on the heads of sixteen colored children, whose ages ranged from 7 to 15 years. An attentive audience of about forty colored grown persons witnessed the ceremony. There was also present Mother Superior, a number of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, visiting Staters of St. Joseph, pupils from St. Mary's Academy and the Lady Patronesses of the Missions. After the solemn rites had been administered, Rev. Dean Wagner gave a brief address to the children concerning their duty as Catholics of asying their prayers morning and svening, and attending the children's mass on Sunday, when their teacher would have charge of them and carefully note and reward the good conduct and attendance of each. The School for colored children, under Sister Camille is prospering more than the most sanguine expectations anticipated.

ADDRESS AND PRÉSENTATION.

The choir of St. Mary's Catholic church, Woodstock, met last Thursday night at the residence of Mr. Jas. J. Landy, the leader, for practice. There was a full attendance, and after some time spent in practice Mr. Landy called Miss Jennie Thompson and presented her on behalf of a few of her friends in the choir and conversation with the Colonian address.

a few of her friends in the choir and congregation with the following address, accompanied with a gold watch and guard. To Miss Jennie Thompson:

A few of your friends in the congregation and choir beg leave to present you with the accompanying watch and guard, as a slight token of their appreciation of your services as organist and singer for several years past, and bope you will live to wear it for many years to come, and that when you look at the time, you will remember the many times you have assisted in the service of God as organist and singer at St. Mary's church, Woodstock.

Signed on behalf of the donors, Jas. J. Landy, John F. O'Neill, Rev. M. J. Brady, M. Fury, P. Farrell, J. H. Harwood and T. Lyons.

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Father Brady acknowledged the present on behalf of Miss Thompson. He said he was glad to be present and could testify to Miss Thompson's sacrifices and to her willinguess to help the choir in every way. And he hoped she would continue as long as her voice was spared to her to assist as usual. The rest of the evening was pleasantly spent with congression. evening was pleasantly spent with songs by Mr. Berry, Mr. Landy, Miss Kate Landy and others. The watch was a handsome gold one, and was accom-panied with a very beautiful guard and oharm.—Woodstock Sentinel Review.

Correspondence of the Record. FROM WOODSTOCK.

On Wednesday evening St. Mary's Church, Woodstock, was well filled, the occasion being the blessing of the Stations of the Cross, by Right Rev. Mgr. Bruyere, V. G. The choir sang the "Stabat Mater," while the Vicar General was blessing the Stations, after which the Rev. Father Tiernan, Chancellor of the diocese of London, preached a most impressive sermon on "The Way of the Cross." During benediction Mr. Berry sang the "Obalutaris," by C. S. Stearns;

on Thursday morning Mass was cele-brated by Vicar General Bruyere, and nearly every one in the Church ap-proached the Holy Communion. The Vicar General then administered the pledge to the boys and girls who were confirmed by His Lordship some time

IBISH NATIONAL LEAGUE.—Previous to the transaction of the usual routine business of the I. N. L., Hamilton, on Thursday evening last, the committee interested in the lecture delivered by Mr. Justin McCarthy, in that city, some time ago, held a meeting at which it was shown the lecture was a financial as well as a literary spaces, there he in a interest spaces. shown the lecture was a financial as well as a literary success, there being in the hards of the Treasurer a balance of \$112 33, which it was resolved should be forwarded at once to Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, of Detroit, Grand Treasurer of the Irish National League of America, for transmission to Ireland for the relief of evictive to the results of the relief of evictive to the results of the relief of evictive results.

Among the suppressed portion of Gen. Buller's testimony kept back by the Government is this sentence : "I think," says Gen. Buller, "that the pressure of high rent produced agitation and consequent intimidation against the payment of rent." The Government has said that the sgitation was fictitious and that the remedy is special enactments. But whatever they said and thought, or said and pretended to think a few weeks see their case is now shot there and ago, their case is now shot through and through by their own evidence.

A HANDSOME EDIFICE .- The new Cath. olic Church to be built in Petrolia the coming summer, is to be a very hand-some structure, built of brick, and sur-Church to the money. The fund had been deposited with the Mexican Government in trust for the proper management of missions.

Some structure, built of brick, and surmounted by a tower of il breet in height, we may see a striking image of the Divine costing \$8,000. Mr. W. Reath of St. Thomas, has redived the contract.

In every creature, however small, we may see a striking image of the Divine Costing \$8,000. Mr. W. Reath of St. Thomas, has redived the contract.

We have long advocated the union of Newfoundland with Canada. When the project of Confederation was first pro-pounded in a tangible form, Newfound-land was included in the scheme. Representatives from the great island eagerly looked to the early consumma-tion of a union including all the colonies from Newfoundland to Vancouver. Two of the Provinces represented at the confoundland. In 1869 another effort was made to bring in the latter colony, but its people again rejected the terms of union. The smaller island joined the Union in 1873, but Terra Nova has still obdurately held aloof. The colony has not only gained nothing but lost heavily by its persistent adhesion to single blessed. ness. Late despatches show that gloom and discontent are prevalent through-out what should be one of the wealthiest and happiest Provinces of British North America. The cause of this glocm and of this discontent may be at once inferred from the statement made in the Imperial Commons on the 25th ult, by the Secretary for the Colonies, who then informed his fellow-legislators that "Newfoundland is in danger of permanent commercial ruin, owing to the impossibility of maintaining her staple industry of cod fishing against the competition of French fishermen, in consequence of the latter receiving from the French Government a bounty of over 50 per cent., enabling them to take fish on the banks of Newfoundland, and sell them profitably in European markets below the cost of production. The Legislature of Newfoundland recently passed a bill restraining the export of bait, which would have himself after enormous sacrifice. secured to the colony the control of the sole natural advantage she possesses and enabled her to carry on her fisheries

The course pursued by the Imperial government has given rise to the profoundest dissatisfaction in Newfoundland, and the Telegram, which has the largest circulation of any paper in the island, fears not to speak out in these

against unequal competition with the

"For some time past, owing to the bad treatment received at the hands of the British government, a strong feeling in favor of connection with the United States has manifested itself, and it is States has manifested itself, and it is needless to say that since the disallowance of the Bait bill that feeling has been greatly intensified. We like the old flag but we tell Lord Salisbury with all the emphasis we can command that we are not disposed to be treated by Britain or by any other power as the Americans were treated prior to their successful fight for independence in 1776."

continuance of the present state of affairs. Press, people and Parliament all of Catholic literature. On Wednesday evening St. Mary's speak out in unmistakable terms, telling gland that the disallowance the Bait bill at the request of the French government is a most humiliating ac and that the country, having been abandoned by England, must look for protection elsewhere. There are, it is plain but two alternatives open to Newfound. land, annexation to the United States sang the "O Salutaris," by C. S. Stearns; Miss Kate Laudy sang "Ave Verum," by Milhard, and the choir sang the "Tantum Ergo."

On Thursday morning Mass was cele. or confederation with Canada. The first consideration of every man of thought in the colony. Canada might not be able to give continued prosperity to Newfoundland: in fact so long as that colony relies exclusively for support upon one industry she can never be permanently prosperous, but Canada could, and we believe would cheerfully lend her whole assistance to the brave islanders in ridding themselves of the burden of treaty provisions that really hamper their progress and rob them of the legitimate products

just as other colonies which don't take care of themselves have suffered; the second is that if Newfoundland had been scound is that it Newfoundiand had been a component part of the Dominion she would have the full benefit of her own resources. In this last respect it is not too late to mend."

Let Newfoundland join us at once, Canada will soon be a treaty making power, and will see that the Island Colony will suffer no injustice from the stipulations of a by gone ignorant and heartless diplomacy.

Miss Lian-So, probably the first Chinese woman received into the Catholic Church in this country, was baptized recently by Rev. Robert B. McDonald, in St. Mary's church at Plainfield, N. J.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S OPPORTUNITY. THE FRENCH CLERGY IN AMER.

L'Alliance Françoise, an association with no clerical sympathies, devoted to the ex-pansion of the French language in the French colonies and abroad, speaks in its bulletin for September, 188s, in the fol-lowing terms of the American Catholic clergy of French origin: "The clergy, to whom almost solely belongs the honor of having preserved in Canada the lar guage, anners, and religion of France, is in the United States continuing the admirable and patriotic work of its prodecessors. No sooner is a church built than every effort of these gentlemen is directed to the construction of a French school, and notwithstanding difficulties that to men less zealous might appear insurmount. able, they nearly always succeed. I lately met one of these men, at once full of zeal and of patriotism, a man who makes France beloved, and be declared, When I came to New England, twentyfive years ago, I was sometimes a who Our Canadians, too few in number, too scattered to unite, forgot their mother tongue, as they call the French, the nost of them even denied their ames, translating them into English, and French schools were almost un known. But to-day we are more than 500,000 Canadians in New England alone nine tenths of this population speak French; all are proud of bearing their enchantment, a fourth of our parisher being well provided in this respect and before the end of the century we will have as many schools as we have churches. Useless to say that this worthy priest has in his parish a magnificent school, rivalling the very best of American public schools. He founded it

THE corporation of Dublin, by a vote of 23 to 3, has rejected a proposal to send a congratulatory address to the Queen on the occasion of her jubilee. The announcement of the vote, we are told, was greeted with cheers, which the introducers of the motion asked the Lord Mayor to suppress. The Lord Mayor replied that the demonstration was directed not against the Queen, butagainst her erratic advisers. She might soon have different advisers, and an address would then be more appropriate.

"A Gate of Flowers."

This is the title of a prospective volume of poems from the gifted pen of a promising young Canadian litterateur, Mr. Thomas O'Hagan, M. A. The work will be sold by subscription. Mr. O'Hagan has been an occasional contributor in prose and verse to the columns of the RECORD, and it is not too much to say that whatever he touches he adores. inght for independence in 1776."

This, in a country noted for its unswerving allegiance and exuberant loyalty to Britain, is very plain speech indeed. It is, however, scarcely an adequate expression of the feeling prevailing in the colony. All men there are now agreed that any change would be better than a continuance of the present state of

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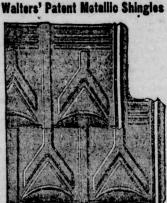
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which we subjoin:
"Going forth, teach all ming them in the name of the Son, and of the Hebehold I am with you all deconnumentation of the week." EXVIII, 19 20)
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great Liberator—that was great Liberator—that was world and save them from world and save them from death of sin. Patriarchs is spoke of Him, and the Pranother made clearer the mission and the signs Long, long years before the gathered children of I ing about the Prophet foretelling the captivity the nation's heart was sings. Suddenly an imp Prophet. Far away bey lonian slavery, his soul save the shadow over the peoglorious ray of hope in of a Redeemer. "Be cout the seer, "be comfored, "now your evil is of the voice of one cryin prepare ye the ways of " prepare ye the ways of streight His paths." In Iarael kept close against new promise in the Savi slavery among the nation slavery among the nation her lamentations and the lamentation with lamentation and the lamentation and the lamentation and the lamentation are seen as the lamentation and the lamentation are lamentation and the lamentation are lamentation and lamentation are lamentation and lamentation and lamentation are lamentation and la

and of the Son and of And amongst those went out to teach the darkness and the shade one great apostle whare celebrating to day rick. Year after year around to us on the time; and yet the experience with the time; and yet the ex-recurrence with the and reverence,—the feeling,—the same ap Nor is this expressio tude out of place. aggregation of the domain of the one of epoch,—a cardinal p that country, and o worthy of an annu Hence, my brethren matter in what par may be cast,—where bound regions of the clad hills of the so

the verdant valleys away on the sunny in Australia or in Canada,—no matte the same hopeful a St. Patrick's Day,